



Applicant has elected Group I, claims 1-47 and 49-60, without traverse. The Examiner is encouraged to telephone the undersigned if a telephonic interview may be helpful to a prompt resolution of any issues that may remain.

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